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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6070

BILL NUMBER: SB 120

NOTE PREPARED: Oct 17, 2008

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Health Coverage Commission.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Simpson

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes a health coverage commission to evaluate and make recommendations before January 1, 2010, concerning implementation of a health coverage system to ensure availability of health coverage to every Indiana resident.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Estimated expenditures for the commission are less than \$10,000. The Department of Insurance (DOI) and the Department of Health (ISDH) must staff the commission. Expenses of the commission must be paid by the DOI. For FY 2008, DOI reverted \$3 M. It is anticipated that the DOI will be able to cover additional expenses given existing levels of resources. The commission must make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislative Council before January 1, 2010.

Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to per diem and reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties. Each member of the commission who is a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties. In addition to administrative expenses incurred by the DOI and the ISDH while staffing the committee, the fiscal impact will depend on the number of meetings held and the travel distance involved.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DOI, ISDH.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: State Budget Agency.

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